

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
JULY 21, 1995

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held at the Broadwater Beach Resort Hotel, Crown Room A, in Biloxi, Mississippi at 9:00 a.m., on Friday, July 21, 1995.

Members present: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, Yvonne Brown, John Junkin, II, Perrin Purvis, Hazel Terry, and William Seal.

Members absent: Patricia Puckett, Nell Rogers, and George Walker.

Staff in attendance: Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director, William Bunch, Jr., Becky Cade, Dr. Larry Day, Deborah Gilbert, Janet Henderson, Sandra Lucas, R. L. McClellan, Debbie Mock, Ed Schneider, Don Shadow, and Frankie Walton-White.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul Breazeale at 9:00 a.m.

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Mr. Perrin Purvis.

Acknowledgment/Introductions

Chairman Breazeale welcomed Dr. Bobby Garvin, President of Mississippi Delta Community College, to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Hazel Terry, the Board approved the minutes of the June 22, 1995, special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Alton Bankston, seconded by John Junkin, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda as presented.

Chairman Breazeale expressed the Board's appreciation for Alton Bankston's hosting of the Wednesday evening meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Olon Ray distributed to Board members a letter addressed to Steven A. Patterson, State Auditor, in response to a January, 1995, Mississippi Statewide Performance Audit. (Exhibit A).

Dr. Ray reported that SBCJC staff, as well as staff from ETV, the State Department of Education, IHL and the Universities, and the Department of Information and Technology Services are meeting together to ensure compliance to the commitment of creating a systems network that is compatible. At a later date a recommendation related to an agreement showing inter-agency cooperation will be brought to the Board for approval. Also, negotiations for the purchase of software for the SBCJC's MIS system are nearing completion.

An orientation session for new Board members will be scheduled on the afternoons of August 16, and 17, 1995.

Dr. Ray distributed for the Board's review a summary of Program Committee activities for 1994-1995. (Exhibit B).

Dr. Ray also presented pictures of one mobile classroom/lab of the newly installed vinyl lettering signs showing the Skill/Tech and the Mississippi Mobile Learning Lab logos.

Dr. Ray will be on vacation and out of the office beginning July 24, 1995, for a two week period.

R. L. McClellan distributed to the Board an agenda of activities for the MACJC Trustees meeting.

REPORTS/ACTION

MACJC Report

Dr. Haraway, MACJC Chairman, reported on the following items discussed at the June 17-19, 1995, MACJC Presidents' Legislative Planning Session held in Biloxi:

The Legislative Planning Session was attended by Senator Steve Seal and Representative Charles Young, as well as Dr. Ray and other SBCJC staff.

The Presidents discussed the decrease in demand for Associate Degree Nursing. The presidents then agreed to ask for the Rural Health supplement in their Legislative agenda.

Dr. Ray reported on progress made by the SBCJC Standards Committee. He also reported that two new Board appointees will begin serving on July 1, 1995. They are John Junkin, II, and Yvonne Brown.

Becky Cade provided the Presidents with the following information pertaining to the technology bonding bill; a draft of administrative guidelines, a list of reputable engineering firms capable of providing campus fiber optic wiring plans, a draft Information Technology plan format, and a target date of September 1, 1995, to complete the Information Technology plans for submission to the Mississippi Department of Information and Technology Services for their approval.

Dr. Haraway gave his report and informed the presidents that the Governor expressed an interest in having lunch with them at their August meeting. The presidents agreed to accept, if an invitation was issued.

Dr. Muse gave the legislative committee report. The presidents have established mid-point salary increases as their number one priority in legislative requests.

After a presentation by Jack Harper and Charlie Jacobs, the MACJC approved a proposal to seek a \$50,000,000 capital improvements bond bill in their Legislative package.

The MACJC discussed with Dr. Ray and SBCJC staff their concern that much of their present funding comes from non-recurring funds, and discussed encouraging Legislators to move some of their appropriations into other funding sources. They also discussed a \$7,500,000 repair and renovation capital improvements bond bill appropriation.

The presidents approved Dennis Miller as legislative lobbyist for the next legislative session.

Dr. David Cole gave the Technology Committee Report.

Dr. Bill Scaggs gave a report on the Vo-Tech Model Curricula.

* Dr. Starkey Morgan entered the meeting.

Before adjourning the presidents discussed athletic rules.

Finance Committee

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert covered items listed on the Finance Committee agenda.

Upon staff recommendation, a motion by Alton Bankston, and a second by Hazel Terry, the Board voted unanimously to approve a request for advancement from Meridian Community College in the amount of \$1,300,000. (Exhibit C)

Upon staff recommendation, a motion by Alton Bankston, and a second by Hazel Terry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Aid to Colleges August disbursement in the amount of \$6,353,657. (Exhibit D)

Upon staff recommendation, a motion by John Junkin, and a second by Alton Bankston, the Board voted unanimously to approve awarding a contract for printing of the Skill/Tech Newsletter to Dixie Data for the fiscal year 1996. (Exhibit E)

Upon staff recommendation, a motion by John Junkin, and a second by Alton Bankston, the Board voted unanimously to approve engaging a bond attorney in connection with the Technology Bonding Bill. The amount of this contract may not exceed \$5,000.

Debbie Mock updated Board members on the approval on Mississippi Department of Information and Technology Services' (ITS, formerly The Central Data Processing Authority) approval of computer equipment/software acquisitions. No action was required. (Exhibit F)

Deborah Gilbert presented for the Board's review the financial audit finding as a result of the audit of federal financial assistance received by the SBCJC for the state fiscal year ended June 30, 1994. (Exhibit G)

Mrs. Gilbert presented the Education Enhancement Fund Recap for fiscal year 1995, for the Board's information. No action was required. (Exhibit H)

Mrs. Gilbert also presented for the Board's information, financial statements for funds 2291, 3291, and 4300. No action was required. (Exhibit I)

Workforce Education Committee

Ed Schneider reported to Board members on responses to the Customer Satisfaction Survey Forms. Mr. Schneider stated that the State Workforce Council had requested that the mailing list for the Skill/Tech Newsletter be expanded to include all service industries.

The end-of-year administrative paperwork submitted by the Career Centers is being processed in a timely manner. Mr. Schneider informed Board members that at next month's Board meeting a report of carryover funds will be presented. At that time a synopsis of projects for fiscal 1995, the industries served, and the types of services provided will be presented for the Board's information. Also, a new directory of the District and State Workforce Council members is being prepared.

Dr. Ray reported on the State Workforce Council Retreat.

Proprietary Schools Report

Janet Henderson reported to Board members on the activities of the Commission on Proprietary School and College Registration. (Exhibit J)

Committee on Development of Standards

Alton Bankston reported on the activities of the Committee on Development of Standards and urged Board members to attend the next meeting to be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, July 24, 1995, in the SBCJC Board room.

Board Member Orientation

Alton Bankston related to Board members his experience as a new Board member and expressed his interest in having an orientation for new SBCJC members. In response to his request, SBCJC staff is preparing an orientation manual. Two afternoon sessions are planned for August 16, and 17, 1995 for this orientation. All Board members are welcome to attend. Becky Cade distributed a tentative agenda for the meeting.

Policy & Procedure Recommendations

Upon staff recommendation, a motion by William Seal, and a second by John Junkin, the Board voted unanimously to approve a revision to SBCJC policy dealing with the funding of projects generated by the one-stop career centers. (Exhibit K)

Task Force on Correctional Education in MS

Don Shadow, Director of the Life Skills for State and Local Prisoners Program, distributed to Board members a packet of information on a task force generated from that grant. The task force was formed at the request of newly appointed Corrections Commissioner, Steve Puckett. Mr. Shadow reported on the initial meeting of the task force. From this meeting a plan was identified to research issues, establish goals, prepare a plan to promote collaboration of state agencies, increase and improve the quality and quantity of education and training opportunities for Mississippi's incarcerated population, and improve the chances for individuals to successfully reintegrate and survive in society. (Exhibit L)

The Life Skills for Prisoners' Program has already established two program sites. The third site, at Parchman will open in January, 1996. Don Shadow and Ann Conerly, Curriculum Developer, have presented this program and Curriculum at three national conferences, COABE, the National Homeless Conference, and the Correctional Educators' Conference in Washington D. C. Mr. Shadow and Ms. Conerly have also developed a teacher training manual for adult educators in correctional settings.

** Meeting recessed at 10:50 a.m.

*** Meeting reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

Committee on Health Care Needs Report

Hazel Terry presented for the Board's information statistics she obtained from the State Board of Nursing Examiners. Copies will be prepared for all Board members. Ms. Terry also covered a five point plan developed by the Health Care Committee and SBCJC staff for examining health care issues. (Exhibit M) A meeting of the Committee will be held immediately following the Committee on the Development of Standards Committee meeting on Monday, July 24, 1995. All Board members were urged to attend.

EdNet Report

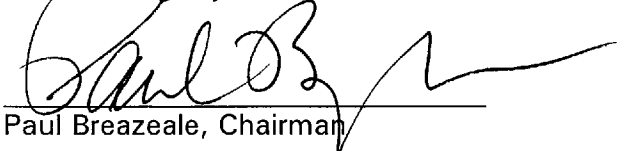
Mr. Breazeale reported that EdNet has not met since the last SBCJC meeting. The next scheduled meeting will be held during the first week in August.

Travel Authorizations

Chairman Breazeale asked for requests for travel authorization reimbursements other than regularly stated Board meetings. On a motion by Alton Bankston, seconded by Hazel Terry, the Board voted unanimously to approve requests for reimbursement for all Board members attending the MACJC Trustees Conference and for the Committee on Development of Standards, and the Committee on Health Care Needs meetings to be held on July 24, 1995.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.


Paul Breazeale, Chairman
Olon E. Ray
Executive Director